

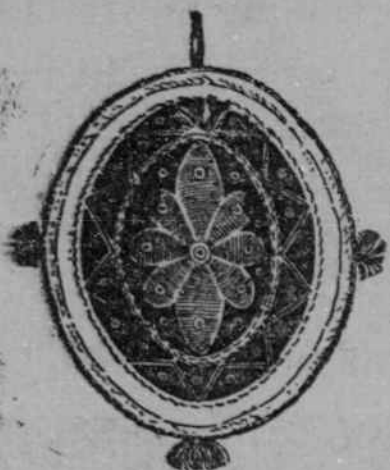
# Hints for the Ladies.

## Woman and Her Ways

### USE FOR OLD GLOVES.

Discover a Bit of Hints  
Kid Week Opens Up a New Field  
for Economists.

What to do with old kid gloves is a frequently a source of reflection for the thrifty-minded utilitarian averse to throwing away anything that can possibly be turned to account. Long stretches of suede or kid are consigned with regret to the rag bag and it was only recently and quite by chance that a modern piece of Hunsid kid work and a curious old letter case, met with in a curiosity shop, appeared to throw some light on the question. The mirror case is one of those which may be picked up occasionally with other objects decorated in like manner. The foundation is of deep plum-colored velvet, about six inches long; the cut-out ornament laid over this is white kid, pasted upon blue paper, and fastened down by long stitches of silver thread; the spangles are silver, fixed down by short lengths of silver bullion brought round to form a very diminutive loop. The center ornament, as is plainly indicated, is covered with long threads of silver twist. The mirror is fixed to a back made of stiff card, and this is united to



CUT KID MIRROR CASE.

the front by a loosely woven silver braid, firmly stitched to both sides. The front has, after the work is completed, been lined with a piece of orange linen, and the opening for the mirror cut subsequently; the point of junction to the outer border is clearly defined, so there will be no difficulty on this point. The little tassels which complete this dainty little object are of orange silk and a twist of green is passed through the little silver loops at the top. An antique letter case as yet more simple as regards materials, as it requires nothing but the very thin leather of which the original is formed, or kid gloves of various tints pasted onto this cartridge paper, or better still, perhaps, the glazed linen used for blinds—Chicago News.

**How to Cook Pea Soup.**  
This very favorite soup needs a quart of peas, three quarts of water, a stick of celery, two onions, some meat or ham bones, and pepper and salt to flavor. The peas should soak overnight in cold water, and be boiled next day in a saucepan with the water and other ingredients. Boil until the peas are tender, then pulp through a sieve, and add again. A little mixture should be added if the mixture seems clogged and thick. Stir frequently at this stage, and sprinkle in some dried mint. When once more boiling, the soup is ready, and should be served with crisp fried crotons of bread. Pea soup requires to cook fully three hours to be satisfactory.

**When Forcing Flower Bulbs.**  
When bulbs are forced, water for the first time very heavily, so that it is a certainty that the water has penetrated to the bottom of the pot. This, then, will be sufficient until the pot is taken from the dark cool place to more heat and light. When the pots are set away for the bulbs to undergo the rooting process it is a good plan to set them on cinders. This not only insures drainage if accidentally overwatered or soaked in some way, but prevents the liability of earthworms working their way up through the hole in the bottom of the pot.—Woman's Home Companion.

**Lemon Whitens the Hands.**  
For the hands that have become tanned or sunburnt, just before going to bed bathe them in warm water and soap; rinse them in tepid water so that all the soapy water has disappeared, and then dabble them with lemon juice. If your skin is very sensitive dilute the lemon juice, but when it is applied allow it to dry on the hands. Sleep in gloves, and after the third night's care your hands will be as fair and soft as the hands of any of Shakespeare's heroines.—Ladies' Home Journal.

**To Mend Waterproof Cloth.**  
Mackintoshes, which with autumn rains become necessities, may be mended when torn in the following manner: Dissolve some pieces of pure India rubber in naphtha to create a stiff paste; choose a piece of stuff as much like the waterproof material as possible, and apply some of the cement to it and to the torn edges of the mackintosh. Then bring the torn parts over the new material to form a patch and place a weight over the part until the cement is quite set and firm.

### GIFT FOR AN INVALID.

Unique and Charming Idea for Bringing Holiday Sunshine into a Sick-Room.

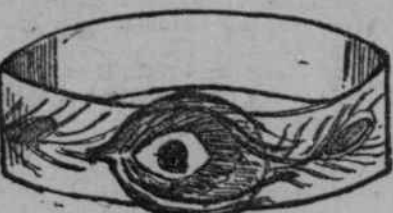
Is there among your friends a weary invalid for whom you are longing to do something beautiful and helpful at the coming holiday season? If so, you cannot do better than to undertake the preparation of a wonder bag for Christmas. A wonder bag is a large bag filled with gifts from many friends, which are to be drawn out on special days, according to accompanying directions. It may be arranged to last for any length of time—three months, six months or a year—drawings being made once, twice or thrice a week, as may seem best. Since the recipient of the bag is not given a list of the donors, nor informed of the character of the gifts, a double surprise awaits her at such drawing. This contributes not a little to the novelty and charm of the scheme.

Make a strong bag of suitable material—retonne, denim, canvas or linen. Embroider it with initials, a monogram or other suitable design, and finish it with stout draw-strings of broad ribbon. Since it is to hang in the sick-room for so long a time it should be made not merely durable and serviceable, but also dainty and attractive. Wrap each article in tissue paper, using many tints; mark it with the name of the donor, and tie it securely with narrow ribbon of a contrasting color, leaving one end long enough to be used in drawing it out. Pack the parcels carefully in the bag, heavier ones at the bottom, and let the long ribbons hang outside at the top. Gifts appropriate for special days, such as the invalid's birthday, July 4, April 1, Easter Sunday, February 22, a "very weary day," a "tortuous Sunday," etc., may be designated by tiny cards attached to the ribbons. Most of the gifts, however, should be left without dates in order that the invalid may have the privilege once in awhile of deciding which ribbon to draw.—Belle M. Brain, in Woman's Home Companion.

### BRIGHT YOUNG WOMAN.

How She Procured a Fine Variety of Winter Belts at a Ridiculously Small Expense.

An economical young lady gathered together last week all the white belts which she has worn all summer; there were white ribbon belts, white satin



A REJUVENATED BELT.

belts and white leather belts. When she had collected them she found that they numbered exactly nine. "Now," said she, "I can have nine handsome, new belts."

Laying in four packages of dye for which she paid five cents a package, she proceeded to make her dye stuff. By weakening the dye she could produce light shades and dark shades, such as light blue and dark blue; pink and red; sage green and leaf green, lavender and purple. One by one she dipped the belts in the different dyes and hung them up to dry. The next day she had the prettiest assortment of colored belts to be found anywhere. Finally she attached handsome clasps, some of which were preserved from the summer, and she is now prepared in the belt line for the winter season.

### MANICURING AT HOME.

How to Keep the Hands and Fingers in Perfect Condition All the Time.

Get a small bowl or finger glass and dissolve therein a small piece of pure soap in some hot water. Then soak the finger tips for five minutes, wipe dry and then with a knife or an ivory manicure implement gently loosen the layer of skin around the root of the nail so that it can be trimmed off with cuticle scissors (especially curved scissors for the nail) and press the skin well back to distinctly show the half moon or "onyx." This may not be possible at once, when the nails have been neglected. Still, two or three manicure treatments will show a marked improvement. With the ivory implement remove any dirt from under the nails. Trim them oval shape with cuticle scissors, rub down any unevenness with prepared toilet emery paper, then apply the nail powder with a camoils polisher. Rinse the nails in warm water, wipe well and rub the nails again with polisher or with the palm of the hand, and do this after washing, which will serve to keep them polished for a week. If the nails are brittle and dry, rub a little vaseline over them each night. Perfect cleanliness is the greatest adjunct to beauty, but for all that, do not wash your hands too often. Washed seldom but thoroughly they will keep in a far finer condition than if they are continually being "washed" as it were.

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### TIC-BITS OF WISDOM.

Some people are always up and doing—other people.  
The older a woman gets the more she worries about past years.  
Love and easiness are feelings that beggar description.  
Patriotism is frequently used as a cloak for scheming politicians.  
Men are not necessarily big guns because they happen to be big boys.  
Before marriage a man swears to love; after marriage he loves to swear.  
Some people are naturally nervous, while others are troubled with prickly heat.  
The man who fails to lay up something for a rainy day always has to depend on his friends for an umbrella.

### ITEMS OF INTEREST.

The mignonett is the natural flower of Spain.  
The screw of an Atlantic liner costs about \$20,000.  
There are six schools in Ireland where Irish is taught.  
There are always 1,200,000 people afloat on the seas of the world.  
A railway guard says that the fastest trains are always the safest.  
Nearly one-fifth of the students at Swiss universities are women.  
The maintenance of the Sultan's harem costs Turkey about \$15,000,000.  
Sixty languages are spoken in the empire governed by the Czar of Russia.  
In Brazil there are said to be 300 languages and dialects spoken by the Indians.

### PHILOSOPHIC BREVITIES.

It's an easy matter to master the grief of another.  
Borrowing may be a disease, but lending is insanity.  
Faith is not very plentiful, but the supply equals the demand.  
The microbe never bothers the man who is unaware of its existence.  
The man who is too lazy to stand up and tell the truth is apt to lie about it.  
Providence never makes a misdeal, but it is hard to make some people believe it.  
Handsome men, gifted, with good sense are equally as scarce as pretty clever women.  
One woman always pays more attention to what another woman has on than to what she says.  
The leather sling used by a boy to throw stones is less dangerous than the gin-sling in the hands of his father.

### ARAB MAXIMS.

Never believe all you may hear, for he who believes all that he hears often believes more than he hears.  
Never tell all you know, for he who tells everything he knows often tells more than he knows.  
Never attempt all you can do, for he who attempts everything he can do often attempts more than he can do.  
Never lay out all you can afford, for he who lays out everything he can afford often lays out more than he can afford.  
Never decide upon all you may see, for he who decides upon all that he sees often decides on more than he sees.

### WAIFS FROM THE ORACLE.

No one can talk about his sickness without becoming tiresome.  
When women admit that a woman they dislike looks pretty they add, "for her."  
Americans are great people to manufacture burdens and carry them around.

If you loaf around a store or office a great deal remember that you are not welcome.

A man never has as much trouble with his mother-in-law as his wife has with hers.

If you can put a piece of gum in your mouth and not chew it you have strong will power.

When a girl's marriage is announced it is recalled how many times she had been engaged before.

When the time comes to start off on a vacation nine out of ten people wish they were going to stay at home.

We would like to see a man or woman who can keep from worrying, although it is said no one should worry.

### FACTS AND FANCIES.

No man is ever so friendless that he can't find some one to jolly him along.  
Cupid puts in a good deal of his time at target practice.  
The average woman acts first and thinks it over afterward.

Woman's ruling passion crops out in her desire to rule a husband.  
Things are actually what they seem—about one time in a hundred.

There's nothing new. Our grandmothers often took spins on chainless wheels.

The floor walker says the girl in charge of the glove department is a counter-fitter.

Those who go down to the sea in ships should see that the ships do not go down with them.

Age rarely brings us wisdom; about the best it can do is to teach what particular brand of folly we like best.

A marriage without love and a steam boiler without a safety valve indicate that some one is going to get blown up.

Clubs are often detrimental to a man's welfare—especially those in the hands of policemen and expert poker players.

### THE ELECTRICAL FAN.

It Makes Aunt Hannah Panicky About Her Work in the Kitchen.

An electric fan placed in a southern dining room, discomfited one of the colored attaches of the household. One of them, a stout "auntie," stopped and gasped ostentatiously every time she passed before it.

"What do matter, Aunt Hannah?" asked the boy who was supposed to

keep around the kitchen and who was her special aversion. "What makes you keep shying like a horse?"

She disclaimed to answer, but chancing to pass the fan again, gave another snap.

"Is you got de asthma, or is you jes' pantin' 'cause it's wahm?"

"Sonny," she responded, slowly, "I desires to ax you sumpin'. Is you fashin' foh trouble? Case if you fash, you wants ter watch you cark. You's got a bite right now."

"No 'indeed. I am lookin' foh no trouble. I was merely 'quirin' afteh you health an' comfort. I wanted ter make sho' whether you was a-skyah't o' dat fan."

"Me a-skyah't a' dat!" she exclaimed, with great contempt. "Ise humiliated. Dat's whut I is. An' I gues dey is no' service places don dis, so's I won' hater quit workin' when I's left."

"Is you gwine away?"

"I is."

"Whut's yoh dissatisfaction?"

"Laziness. White folks laziness. I doesn't speck quality folks to wuck hard. But dah's seck a thing as kyahyin' luxury an' ease too far foh respectability. I doesn't blame 'em foh gettin' red o' de cookin' an' clannin' an' passin' de dishes at dinner. But when dey gits so dey's got ter set up machinery to help 'em draw deir bref, I tells you, chile, dey's got clean past de limits ob gentility."

He Didn't Collect It.

"I shall have to ask you for a ticket for that boy, ma'am."

"I guess not."

"He's too old to travel free. He occupies a whole seat and the car's crowded. There are people standing up."

"That's all right."

"I haven't any time to argue the matter, ma'am. You'll have to pay for that boy."

"I've never paid for him yet, and I'm not going to begin to do it now."

"You've got to begin doing it some time. If you haven't had to put up any fare for him you're mighty lucky, or else you don't do much traveling."

"That's all right."

"You'll pay for that boy, ma'am or I'll stop the train and put him off."

"That's all right. You put him off if you think that's the way to get anything out of me."

"You ought to know what the rules of this road are, madame. How old is that boy?"

"I don't know; I never saw him before. If you want a ticket for him you'd better ask that old gentleman down the aisle. He got on with him."

Clean Enough.

Farmer Hayrick (as the waiter brings him a finger bowl)—No, thanks, I washed jes' afore supper!

An Unkind Parent.

Mrs. Sharp—Our daughter is now nearly 15 years of age and I think it is time she had some kind of a musical instrument to play on.

Mr. Sharp—What a remarkable coincidence! I had the very same thought this morning when she was singing in the dining room.

Mrs. Sharp—What instrument do you think would be the most suitable?

Mr. Sharp—I think a steam calliope would be about the proper thing. It's the only instrument I know of that would drown her voice.

The Line Drawn.

Watts—Had fifteen women at my house this afternoon. Some sort of club my wife belongs to.

Potts—Must have been an awful racket.

Watts—Not so much as you would think. Fifteen women make no more noise than two. You see, there has got to be a limit somewhere.

His Experience.

Issacs—Did you ever try gounting backward from ven t'ousand? ven you can't sleep?

Cohenstein—Yes; but dot gounting backward maigs me feel like I vos losing moneysht, undt I can't go to sleep at all!

An Exception.

Albert—All the world loves a lover, you know.

Mildred—You wouldn't say that if you had heard papa's remarks when he found, yesterday morning, that you had taken his hat by mistake.

Fight earnestly, leave off evil; the avoidance of it is a true education.

He who overcomes his own heart bends it as a sickle is bent.

This life is a sewing time for the future life; all who sow good deeds shall enter the great city.

Whoever chooses this world rejects the choice of the next; he seizes one cowry but loses two thousand cowries.

About this saying there is no uncertainty: whoever rejects it, leave him alone, that he may become a heathen.

This world is like a room where we see ropes set up for weaving and thread is placed ready.

If there is no purity there is no prayer, as you know; if there is no prayer, there is no drinking of the water of heaven.

You will obtain a reward according to the character of your actions on earth; you will come to meet with these actions in the next world.

He who possesses knowledge but does not act accordingly, what will he have to say on the day of the resurrection?

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There are some persons who believe that there is no truth to be gained from consulting a Medium, but such beliefs are contrary to the truth. It is only from the lack of discrimination that such a conclusion can be reached. It is not every one who placards himself or herself as a medium that can stand a test of what he or she claims.

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